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Yosemite Today

June 3 - 30, 2003

Yosemite Valley

Valley Visitor Center

Open 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, and a multilingual One Day in Yosemite program. ♿ TTY

FILM

Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring state-of-the-art visitor orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's newly remodeled West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available. ♿ CC

Yosemite Museum

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. ♿

FEATURES

Museum Gallery

Open 10:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Historic 19th and 20th century Yosemite landscape paintings from the park's museum collection.

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

Yosemite Museum Store

Open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects.

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. There is sometimes the opportunity to join Indian Cultural Program staff for demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. ♿

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A *Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery* is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

Wilderness Center

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village between The Ansel Adams Gallery and the post office. One-stop resource for backpackers in need of wilderness permits, bear canisters, maps, and guidebooks. Displays and information on pre-trip planning, minimum impact camping techniques, and Yosemite's wilderness. ♿

Nature Center at Happy Isles

Open 10:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This nature center includes natural history exhibits, interactive displays, and a bookstore geared to nature-exploring for families. Nearby are short trails focusing on the area's four different environments; forest, river, talus, and fen.

You can also see substantial evidence of the huge 1996 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff far above

the Nature Center. A new outdoor exhibit details the geologic story of rockfalls in Yosemite. The Center is a short walk from shuttle bus stop #16. ♿

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, hand-crafts, books, gifts, photography supplies, and camera/tripod rentals are available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. ♿

GALLERY EXHIBIT

June 7

Join us for an introduction of the new book *Yosemite Once Removed, Portraits of the Backcountry*, by photographer Claude Fiddler. Recently published by the Yosemite Association, the book highlights many parts of Yosemite that are rarely seen by visitors.

Booksigning, Saturday, June 7th

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Artist's Reception, Saturday, June 7th

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Through June 16th

The black and white prints of acclaimed photographer, *Bob Kolbrener* will be on exhibit as we approach the summer season. A student and assistant to Ansel Adams, Kolbrener works exclusively

with a large format view camera using 8"x10" sheet film. In the tradition of his mentor, he continues to handprint mural size prints from his negatives using classical darkroom techniques.

June 17th – June 18th

Enjoy a variety of art media from our own local school children during our annual Yosemite School Art Exhibit.

Artist's Reception, Wednesday, June 18th

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

June 19th – July 30th

Entering the summer season, the Gallery presents the black and white photography of *Patrick Jablonski*. His dynamic prints are a tremendous example of contemporary photographers inspired by the western landscape. Patrick is also a conservator of fine photographic prints for galleries and private collectors as well as an instructor of photography at Monterey Peninsula College.

Artist's Reception, Saturday, June 21st

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

LeConte Memorial Lodge

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Located at shuttle stop #12. The LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite's first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierra Club and features a children's corner, library, and a variety of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.



El Capitan from Tunnel View
Photo by Colleen Brown

Yosemite Theater Live

Come help Yosemite Theater Live celebrate its 20th season! The National Park Service recognizes Yosemite Theater as the best interpretive program of its type in the National Park System. Tickets may be purchased at any tour desk in Yosemite Valley or if seating is still available, at the time of performance. Most shows are given in the East Auditorium located behind the Valley Visitor Center in Yosemite Village, near shuttle stop #5. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times. ♿

Tuolumne Meadows

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Park orientation, trail information, books, maps, and displays. Phone 209/372-0263 ♿

Parsons Memorial Lodge McCauley Cabin and Soda Springs

This historic area is only accessible by walking. There are two trails, both flat and both 1/2-mile long. See the map of Tuolumne Meadows area in this paper. Parsons Memorial Lodge is usually open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Historic McCauley Cabin has an open house from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. The Soda Springs are small naturally carbonated springs that often attract birds and deer at sunrise and sunset.

Free Olmsted Point/Tuolumne/Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus

Begins June 14

Free shuttle bus service is available during the summer along the Tioga Road from Olmsted Point to Tioga Pass. Due to limited trailhead parking, use of the free shuttle buses is strongly advised.

Shuttles travel between Tuolumne Meadows Lodge and Olmsted Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. The shuttle also makes two morning (9:00 a.m. and noon) and two afternoon (3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.) runs to Tioga Pass.

Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge at 7:00 a.m. Shuttle buses arrive at approximately 30-minute intervals between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The last shuttle bus leaves Olmsted Point at 6:00 p.m. Schedules are subject to change. Please check route maps at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center or shuttle bus stops for details.



Mammoth Peak as seen from Soda Springs in Tuolumne Meadows

Photo by G. Born

Just for Kids

Programs for children include Junior Rangers two days a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays and a kids' campfire program on Wednesday night. Junior Rangers is a 2-hour ranger-led program for children (ages 8-10).

Ranger Walks

Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, American Indians, history, and more. These walks range from 1 to 8 hours and all but the long walks are fairly easy.

Twice a week, longer hikes are offered to lakes, domes, or passes. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring water, lunch, and rain gear. End your perfect day with a *Music Walk*. This easy, early evening stroll will inspire and delight.

Evening Activities

Come to the Dana Campfire Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground and take part in a tradition! Join a ranger for campfire, songs, storytelling, and answers to some of your questions

about Yosemite. Program topics vary, and are posted at the campground, Tuolumne Meadows Lodge, and Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. A campfire for children is scheduled Wednesday at the Conness Circle in the "C" loop of the campground. End your day with a *Star Program* or *Night Prowl*. Bring a pad to sit on for the Star Program and dress warmly. Programs will be canceled if the sky is overcast. Sign-up for the *Night Prowl* at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center.

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center

Opens June 6

Open 8:00 to 5:00. Located just off the Tioga Road, along the roadway leading to Tuolumne Lodge, shuttle stop #3. Trail information, wilderness permits, bear canister rentals, maps, and guidebooks available. ♿

♿ Indicates facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.



Black Bear
Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby

Scheduled Events

Free Art Classes

Free, informal outdoor classes in various art mediums are available for adults through the Art Activity Center, located at the east end of Yosemite Village next to the Village Store. Each day class begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m.



- June 2 - 8
Linda Mitchell
Watercolor
- June 9 - 15
Carolyn Fitz
Blank Ink/Watercolor
- June 16 - 22
Tom Fong
Watercolor
- June 23 - 29
Jan Schafir
Watercolor
- June 30 - July 6
Jim Murray
Sketching/Drawing

Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

- NPS = National Park Service
AAC = American Alpine Club
AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery
YCS = Yosemite Concession Services
YA = Yosemite Association
YI = Yosemite Institute
\$ = Programs offered for a fee



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White Wolf
Big Oak Flat
Crane Flat

Check local bulletin boards for additional program information

	SUNDAY June 8, 15, 22, & 29	MONDAY June 9, 16, 23, & 30	TUESDAY June 3, 10, 17, & 24
Yosemite Valley	<div><div>7:30am</div><div>Sunrise Hike to Mirror Lake (June 22 only) Shuttle stop #18 (Sierra Club)</div></div> <div><div>8:30am</div><div>Of All the Mountains I’ve Climbed: A Morning with Dr. Nature (June 8 & 29 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge. Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</div></div> <div><div>9:00am</div><div>Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign-up required. Meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery Weather permitting (AAG) Nature’s Chemistry Lab (June 15 only) 6hrs. Call 209/379-2321 \$ (YA)</div></div> <div><div>10:00am</div><div>Ranger Walk—Yosemite Through the Eyes of a Buffalo Soldier, 1904 1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center</div></div> <div><div>2:00pm</div><div>LOOKING FOR THE BIGGEST TREE (June 15 only) 2 hrs. A children’s walk. LeConte Memorial Lodge. Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</div></div> <div><div>2:30pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Ahwahneechee Stories and Games 1½ hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center</div></div> <div><div>6:45pm</div><div>WEE WILD ONES Stories and surprises geared for children 6 and under Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) &</div></div> <div><div>7:30pm</div><div>CAMPFIRE & SING-A-LONG (June 22 only) 1½ hr. Near Curry Village. Tickets and information at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Evening Program 1hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge. Shuttle Stop #12 (Sierra Club) June 8: Exploring the Idea of Wilderness June 15: What Do Trees Have To Do With Music? June 22: Hetch Hetchy Valley: Yosemite’s Lost Twin June 29: Theodore Solomons</div></div> <div><div>8:30pm</div><div>Film—Ansel Adams 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAG) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) &</div></div>	<div><div>2:30pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Yosemite’s Legacy (except June 9) 1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center</div></div> <div><div>7:30pm</div><div>CAMPFIRE WITH THE RECYCLED STRING BAND (June 16 and 30 only) 1½ hrs. Near Curry Village Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Yosemite Theater Live-Wild Stories with John Muir 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium. Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door \$ (YCS) &</div></div> <div><div>8:30pm</div><div>Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) &</div></div>	<div><div>6:30am</div><div>Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 17) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge front desk (Kodak)</div></div> <div><div>9:00am</div><div>Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign-up required. Meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery Weather permitting (AAG)</div></div> <div><div>10:00am</div><div>CHILDREN’S PHOTO WALK (begins June 17) 1 hr. Ahwahnee Concierge desk, parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak)</div></div> <div><div>12:00pm</div><div>Science Forum-Impact of Nonnative Trout on Yosemite (June 10 only) 1 hr. Amphibians and Prospects for Restoration. Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium (NPS) &</div></div> <div><div>2:30pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Bears (except June 10) 1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Yosemite Theater Live—Sara Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium Tickets at Yosemite Lodge tour desk or at the door \$ (YCS) &</div></div> <div><div>8:30pm</div><div>Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (Kodak/NPS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) &</div></div> <div><div>9:00pm</div><div>Starry Skies Over Yosemite Valley (June 17 and 24 only) 1 hr. Meets near Yosemite Lodge Sign up/details at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</div></div>
Wawona Mariposa Grove	<div><div>11:00am to 3:00pm</div><div>Stage Rides to 10 min. Purchase tickets at Wawona Covered Bridge \$ (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (June 29 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Campfire (June 29 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &</div></div>	<div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (June 30 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Campfire (June 30 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &</div></div> <div><div>9:00pm</div><div>Starry Skies Over Wawona (June 23 and 30 only) 1 hr. Sign up at Wawona Hotel front desk \$ (YCS)</div></div>	<div><div>5:30pm</div><div>Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS) &</div></div>
Glacier Point	<div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Ranger Walk 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>7:45pm</div><div>Sunset Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &</div></div>		
Tuolumne Meadows	<div><div>10:30am</div><div>Ranger Walk—Bears (begins June 22) 1½ hrs. Meet at the Tuolumne Meadows Campground reservation office</div></div> <div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—John Muir and Geology (begins June 22) 2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome Shuttle stop#8, road marker T-29</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Campfire (begins June 22) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</div></div>	<div><div>10:00am</div><div>Ranger Walk—Animals (begins June 23) 2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area</div></div> <div><div>1:00pm</div><div>McCauley Cabin Open House (begins June 23) Runs 2 hours (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Lake Exploration (begins June 23) 2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome Shuttle stop #8, road marker T-29</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Campfire (begins June 23) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</div></div>	<div><div>10:00am</div><div>JUNIOR RANGERS (begins June 24) 2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area</div></div> <div><div>2:00pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Domes and Meadows (begins June 24) 2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome Shuttle stop #8, road marker T-29</div></div> <div><div>8:00pm</div><div>Campfire (begins June 24) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</div></div> <div><div>9:15pm</div><div>Ranger Walk—Night Prowl (begins June 24) 1hr. Sign up at Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. 209/372-0263</div></div>

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WEDNESDAY June 4, 11, 18, & 25		THURSDAY June 5, 12, 19, & 26		FRIDAY June 6, 13, 20, & 27		SATURDAY June 7, 14, 21, & 28	
	<p>6:30am Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 18) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge front desk (Kodak)</p> <p>10:00am Photo Tips, Demos, and Q & A (begins June 18) 1 hr. Meets behind the Valley Visitor Center (Kodak)</p> <p>2:00pm History Walk (June 4 only) 2hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</p> <p>2:00pm to 6:00pm NPS Open House (June 25 only) Learn about Yosemite's latest improvement projects Valley Visitor Center East Auditorium &</p> <p>2:30pm Ranger Walk—Granite & Ice (except June 11) 1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center</p> <p>6:30pm Twilight Stroll (June 18 & 25 only) 1 hr. The Ahwahnee outdoor patio (YCS)</p> <p>6:45pm WEE WILD ONES 45 min. Stories and surprises geared for children 6 and under. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS)</p> <p>7:30pm CAMPFIRE WITH THE RECYCLED STRING BAND (begins June 18) 1½ hr. Near Curry Village Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</p> <p>8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium. Tickets at Yosemite Lodge tour desk or at the door \$ (YCS) &</p> <p>8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (Kodak/NPS) &</p>		<p>6:30am Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 19) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge front desk (Kodak)</p> <p>9:00am Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign-up required. Meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery Weather permitting (AAG)</p> <p>10:00am CHILDREN'S PHOTO WALK (begins June 19) 1 hr. Ahwahnee Concierge Desk Parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak)</p> <p>Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People 1½ hrs. Back of Valley Visitor Center</p> <p>2:00pm History Walk (June 5 only) 2hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</p> <p>2:30pm Ranger Walk—Bears (except June 12) 1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater</p> <p>7:30pm CAMPFIRE & SING-A-LONG (June 19 & 26 only) 1½ hr. Near Curry Village. Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</p> <p>8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Sara Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1½ hrs. Visitor Center West Auditorium Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door \$ (YCS) & How Writers Imagine and Experience Wilderness (June 19 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)</p> <p>Who Started the John Muir Trail? (June 26 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)</p> <p>8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (Kodak/NPS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) &</p>		<p>6:30am Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 20) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge front desk (Kodak)</p> <p>10:00am Photo Tips, Demos, and Q & A (begins June 20) 1 hr. Meets behind the Valley Visitor Center (Kodak)</p> <p>10:30am All About Bears (June 20 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</p> <p>2:00pm History Walk (June 6 only) 2hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) Nature Sketching Workshop (June 13 only) 2 hrs. Bring sketching materials LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club)</p> <p>2:30pm Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls (except June 13) 1½ hrs. Sentinel Bridge shuttle stop #11</p> <p>6:30pm Twilight Stroll (June 20 & 27 only) 1 hr. The Ahwahnee outdoor patio (YCS)</p> <p>7:30pm Life After Dark (June 20 only) Sentinel Bridge shuttle stop #11 Bring flashlight/bug repellent (Sierra Club) CAMPFIRE & SING-A-LONG (June 6 only) 1½ hr. Near Curry Village. Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</p> <p>8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium. Tickets at Yosemite Lodge tour desk or at the door \$ (YCS) & Evening Program 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) June 6: Our National Park System June 13: The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge June 20: Muir and Thoreau: Trail Companions June 27: Evolution Valley</p> <p>8:30pm Film—Yosemite Rockclimbing 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (Kodak/NPS) & Evening Program with a Ranger 1 hr. Lower Pines Amphitheater (NPS) &</p>		<p>6:30am Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 21) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge front desk (Kodak)</p> <p>9:00am Photography Walk 2 hrs. limited space, advance sign-up required. Meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery Weather permitting (AAG) Creeks, Ponds and Waterfalls (June 14 only) 6 hrs. Call 209/379-2321 \$ (YA) Map and Compass for Beginners (June 14 only) 6 hrs. Ranger-led. Call 209/379-2321 \$ (YA) Hetch Hetchy Walk (June 28 only) 6 hrs. Call 209/379-2321 \$ (YA)</p> <p>10:00am Ranger Walk—Fire Ecology 1½ hrs. El Capitan Picnic Area on Northside Drive</p> <p>1:00pm Aquatic Field Trip (June 21 only) 2 hrs. Happy Isles, shuttle stop #16 (Sierra Club)</p> <p>2:00pm A CHILDREN'S WALK 2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club) June 7: Looking for Our Biggest Tree June 14: Wilderness Poetry Workshop June 28: Looking for Our Biggest Tree</p> <p>2:30pm Ranger Walk—Trees 1½ hrs. The Ahwahnee, shuttle stop #3</p> <p>3:00pm Fine Print Viewing 1 hr. Very limited space, sign-up in advance Meet in the Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)</p> <p>4:00pm CHILDREN'S STORY TIME ½ hr. Front porch of the Ansel Adams Gallery. Children 7 and under. Children must be accompanied by a parent (AAG)</p> <p>7:30pm EARTH AND ANIMAL STORIES (begins June 21) 1 hr. Visitor Center East Auditorium Tickets at Yosemite Lodge tour desk or at the door \$ (YCS) & A Walk Back In Time (June 21 only) Shuttle stop #18 Bring flashlight and bug repellent (Sierra Club)</p> <p>8:00pm Evening Program 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) June 7: Matterhorn Wilderness June 14: Wilderness Poetry June 21: Environmental Treasures June 28: Muir Pass</p> <p>8:30pm Evening Program with a Ranger 1 hr. Lower Pines Amphitheater & Rockclimbing 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAC/YCS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) &</p> <p>9:00pm Starry Skies Over Yosemite Valley (June 21 & 28 only) 1hr. Meets near Yosemite Lodge. Sign up/details at any lodge tour desk \$ (YCS)</p>
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Glacier Point

Ranger Walks

Join a ranger for a walk to discover Yosemite's unique, tucked-away places. See a pioneer cabin near a beautiful meadow, explore the red fir forest in the Canadian life zone, or hike to a seldom-seen waterfall.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Evening Programs

Meet a ranger to enjoy the lengthening shadows in Yosemite Valley and the alpenglow on the Sierra high country, or come for the sunset and stay for the moonrise.

On some Saturday evenings, photographers will not want to miss the *Alpenglow Photo Shoot*, led by representatives from Kodak (in association with Yosemite Concession Services).

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Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby



Sentinel Rock

Photo by Colleen Brown

Wawona & Mariposa Grove



Museum in Upper Grove of Giant Sequoias

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Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Offers information about park activities, trail information, books, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, Hill's Studio was the gallery and art studio of famous 19th century landscape painter, Thomas Hill. Walk from the hotel or park at the Wawona Store parking area and follow the path up the hill. For more information call 209/375-9531. ♿

Wawona Wilderness Center

Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, trail information, bear canister rentals, books, and maps. ♿

Evening Programs

Come to a campfire! Share in a park tradition by joining a ranger for an hour of stories, legends, and fun. Program topics vary each night and are posted in the Wawona Campground. Meet at the amphitheater in the "B" loop of the campground.

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby, Tuesday through Saturday, as he performs songs and stories from Yosemite's past. Tom also features presentations with slides, historic Yosemite music, or Wawona history on some Thursday and Saturday nights.

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

See horse-drawn wagons, walk across a covered bridge, and visit historic buildings out of Yosemite's past. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center will explain how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and throughout the world. The Center is always open, and interpretive signs and brochures are available. ♿

Take A Stage Ride

Take a 10-minute ride and experience the adventure of horse-drawn stage travel in Yosemite. Purchase tickets near the Wawona Covered Bridge. \$3/adult and \$2/child (ages 3-12). See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

To Get to Mariposa Grove

Allow 1 1/4 hours driving time to the Mariposa Grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area in the Grove, but several giant sequoias can be seen from there. Information about access for the disabled is available at the tram boarding area. The access road to the Grove may close intermittently due to limited parking. Trailers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road from the South Entrance to Mariposa Grove.

Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus

The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate throughout the day beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves the Grove at 6:00 p.m. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle bus. Due to narrow roads and very limited parking, visitors are strongly encouraged to use this free bus service to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

Walking through the Grove

The trailhead for walking up through the Grove is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese.

DISTANCE & ELEVATION		
DESTINATION	DISTANCE FROM TRAILHEAD	ELEVATION GAIN
Grizzly Giant	0.8 mile /1.3km	400ft / 122m
Grove Museum	2.1 miles /3.5km	800ft / 292m
Fallen Tunnel Tree	2.5 miles /4.0km	1,000ft / 305m
Wawona Point	3.0 miles /4.8km	1,200ft / 438m

Mariposa Grove Tram Tour

Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The first tram is at 9:00 a.m. and the last tram is at 5:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area.

Mariposa Grove Museum

Giant sequoia displays open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in the Upper Grove. A sales area offering books, maps, and information is open Friday through Sunday, 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Crane Flat, Big Oak Flat, and White Wolf

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Phone 209/379-1899 ♿

Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, trail information, bear canister rentals, and limited map sales. ♿

Yosemite's Other Sequoia Groves

Tuolumne Grove

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West) and the Tioga Road. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile (3.2 km) round-trip has an elevation change of 500 feet (150 meters). The downhill walk is relatively easy, though it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Once in the Tuolumne Grove, there is an easy half-mile, self-guiding nature trail.

Merced Grove

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat entrance, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow 3 hours for the 4-mile round-trip hike to this group of about 20 sequoias.

Ranger Programs

Please check the bulletin boards at Crane Flat, Big Oak Flat, and White Wolf for additional upcoming ranger programs.